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The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" It is a matter which has come up before this House very often, by interpellations and otherwise, and the people in the locality have also sent up some memorials."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" May I know whether the hon. the Minister received a deputation from the Corporation of Madras condemning this site and stating that it should be used as a playground for school children in the western half of the city ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Yes, and we also received some memorials."

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI :—" May I know why Dr. Muthu's application for grant was rejected ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" I submit, Mr. President, I have answered that question already."

*Extension of the system of honorary physicians and surgeons to district headquarters.*

\* 163 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased—

(a) to place before the Council the details of any scheme Government may have sanctioned for the extension of the system of honorary physicians and surgeons to district headquarters ; and

(b) to state how far the scheme has been carried out ?

A.—(a) The hon. Member is referred to G.O. No. 1373, P.H., dated the 31st May 1929, laid on the table.<sup>a</sup>

(b) The proposals called for in paragraph 4 of the Government Order are expected shortly from the Surgeon-General.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" With reference to clause (a), I want to know whether Government have considered the question of extending this privilege to the hospitals in the mufassal."

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" I am afraid the hon. Member has not read the Government Order in question."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" I want to know whether the Government Order applies to the taluk hospitals ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" I would again invite the attention of the hon. Member to the Government Order."

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU :—" With reference to clause (b), in paragraph 4 of the Government Order, the Surgeon-General has been asked to submit his proposals to the Government not later than the 20th June 1929. May I know, Sir, why there has been delay ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Because there was delay in the issue of the Government Order itself."